

REMARKS

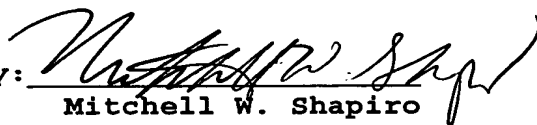
Claims 12-16 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, Claims 1-11 are pending for examination. Applicants reserve the right to present the canceled claims in a continuing application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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